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—Editor Edward Fuller is ill.
—Wilson Dysart is in from Nachusa.
—J. Collins, of Joliet, is at the Keystone.
—Ed. Rosenthal is now stopping in Chicago.
—Edward Ramsey is home from Milwaukee.
—Collins Dysart and wife are in from Nachusa.
—Attorney C. LeRoy Brown is home from Chicago.
—Mrs. Samuel Home is a visitor from Chicago.
—Dixon Lodge No. 39 I. O. O. F. meets tonight.
—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Powell were down from Polo.
—William McBride is home from a long business trip.
—E. M. Van Arnam, of Walnut, was here last evening.
—Atty Geo. D. O'Brien and wife are here from Rochelle.
—Mrs. S. E. Miller was here from Compton yesterday.

—This is the regular meeting night of Dixon Commandery K. T.
—G. A. R. men from Amboy are John Hoctor and James Dula.
—Thomas Lowe, of Peoria, a former Dixon citizen, is here on business.

—Advertisements changed this evening: The Enterpriser; T. J. Miller.
—George Deck and Ed. Benjamin drove to Grand Detour last evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Sharky, of Van Orin, drove to Dixon yesterday.

—Prof. Bowles of Lake Forrest is here today inspecting our high school.

—The minimum point reached by the thermometer last night was forty.

—George R. Keeling and wife and Mrs. C. G. Dowd of Amboy, are here today.

—R. Winchester, F. H. Morse and George Mack of Rockford are at Hotel Bishop.

—Knights of the Globe institute degree of Valiant Knights tomorrow evening.

—The Ladise' Whist Club will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. A. K. Trusdell.

—Friend McCoy of Compton was today released from the county jail on a peace bond.

—O. Pittman has returned to Sterling after a short visit here with William Knapp.

—A Washington despatch states that S. T. Royer has been appointed postmaster at Prairieville.

—Rob Fulton, our circulator had quite an experience with a trunk on Third street yesterday afternoon.

—E. A. Snow was up town today for the first time in many months, to shake hands with army comrades.

—We are promised a game of ball at Pleasure Park on Saturday of this week with a Chicago League team.

—Miss Jessie Brown of Sublette, has been spending the past week with Geo. W. Dietterick and family of 361 Jackson avenue.

—A handsome book case has been lately put in the Mound school by the directors. The teacher as well as the pupils are much pleased with it.

—We will all be pleased to hear Hon. W. J. Calhoun on July 4 speak at Assembly Park. Perhaps he will tell us of the true condition of affairs in Cuba.

—Mrs. Elmer Prosser has arrived home from Tennessee and is at her father's home, John Burkhardt, of Hines addition, being very low with consumption.

—Edward Phalen, Henry Grube, Thomas P. McGreevy, of LaSalle county, large land owners in Lee county are doing business with Loveland & Stiteley today.

—John Heft, jr., who fell from a tree a few days ago, and whom it was feared was dangerously injured, was able to be out of bed a short time today, and is recovering nicely.

—Read our special Springfield correspondence today. It gives some reflections of the closing days of the legislature, and an account of the recent disgraceful scene in the house.

—Ashton was represented here yesterday by Mrs. Jennie Tuck, Mrs. Melvin Hardesty and daughter, Miss Mabel, Mesdames Neal Bellus, Northrup, James Brown, M. D. Bates, Rheuben Mott.

—George Getz and wife and Mesdames Will and Chas. Getz of Sterling spent Saturday with their cousins, the Comer family in Palmyra. Mr. Getz is one of Sterling's oldest building contractors.

TO MEET IN ROCHELLE.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Dixon District to Convene.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Dixon will be held in the Methodist church at Rochelle, Ill., May 26 and 27. Mrs. G. C. Clark, the President of the society is working hard to make this the best convention ever held in the district. Mrs. D. H. Lingle is one of the Vice Presidents, Mrs. L. H. Mack, recording secretary; Mrs. Bertha C. Peck, Photo committee. Miss Clara St. John will read a paper on "Tidings from Mexico;" Rev. Matlack will give an address on Wednesday evening; Dr. E. F. Morrill, of Rock Falls, will present a paper, "Are Foreign Missions about to Collapse?" Presiding Elder Clark will lead the praise service at the closing session on Thursday evening. These are only a few of the good things on the program.

Reunion of the Thirteenth Ills. Volunteers.

It is no small honor to have belonged to the first volunteer regiment mustered into the United States service in response to the appeal of Lincoln in those dark days when the life of the nation was threatened. This was for many years a disputed honor between the Thirteenth and the Fifteenth Illinois Infantry, the former mustered in at Dixon, the latter at Freeport, both on May 24th, 1861. We believe it was satisfactorily settled two years ago, however, that the honor belongs to the former, the gallant Thirteenth, the surviving remnant of which is today on their old stamping ground in an annual reunion. Thirty-six years have passed—eventful years in the history of this county and of the world—since these men first gathered together as comrades in a common cause. Each year thins their ranks, but there still remains a goodly number of "the boys;" but they are widely scattered, and only a remnant can now be gathered, though those who can do so make every effort to meet their comrades once a year on or near the anniversary of the day when they took the oath of allegiance to the flag for which they so bravely and triumphantly fought.

This morning were gathered at the Nachusa House from north, south, east and west, a little knot of veterans, and warm were the hand shakes and most cordial the greetings that met each new arrival. As we go to press this afternoon these men—once so stalwart, now bearing the burden of years—are gathered in the G. A. R. hall, transacting the necessary business to perpetuate their organization. Tonight they will hold a camp-fire in the same place and partake of a banquet prepared by the ladies. A full report of the proceedings will be given in THE TELEGRAPH tomorrow.

Vigilance Is the Price of Success.

We do not wish to sound any unnecessary alarm in the matter of the approaching judicial election; but the re-apportionment of the districts takes from us two strongly Republican counties—Whiteside and Winnebago, and replaces them with two of doubtful political complexion—Stephenson and Jo Daviess, thus holding out to our Democratic friends hopes which were impossible in the district as previously organized. If by apparent inaction they can lull the Republican voters of the district into real inaction, they may by a well concerted movement on the day of election mass a sufficient number of ballots at the polls to displace some of the excellent jurists now on the bench. The fact that Republicans are still in a majority in the district cuts no figure unless that majority turns out and votes. The majority in the ballot box, not outside, is what counts. No matter how much of a Republican majority we have, unless it is deposited in the ballot box it does not count. Republicans should bear this in mind.

Sabbath Desecration.

At a called meeting of some of the pastors of the Dixon churches Monday morning, their attention was called to the Sunday base ball games in neighboring towns, and to some, more or less serious violations of the Sunday law in our community, and it was agreed upon by those present, that they would on next Sunday, May 30, call attention to this matter from the pulpit.

Our town, heretofore, has been rather exemplary in this matter, and we hope the people will not allow the standard of public morals to be lowered.

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CAUCUS ON TARIFF

Republican Senators Discuss the Pending Measure.

EAST AND WEST ARE FAR APART.

Lodge Declares for Free Hides and Western Men Threaten to Meet Him with Changes That He Will Not Like—Many Differences Developed and a Plan of Campaign Outlined—Supreme Court Decides Some Railway Rate Cases.

Washington, May 25.—The Republican caucus yesterday emphasized the fact that there is a wide divergence of opinion among the Republican senators on rates of duty fixed in the various schedules of the tariff bill. The senators were in caucus nearly four hours. The only official announcement that was made after the caucus adjourned was that it was decided to appoint three senators in addition to the Republican members of the finance committee, who are to act as a committee to assist in getting the tariff bill through the senate. It was generally stated, however, that an agreement had been reached that there should be no set speeches on the bill from the Republican side except that of Aldrich, which is to be delivered today. A resolution or memorandum offered by Burrows was agreed to by those present, which sets forth that the sense of those present—there not being a full attendance of the caucus—was that Republican senators having amendments to offer should present them to the Republican members of the finance committee, and if the amendments are approved by the committee they are to be offered in the senate.

Aldrich Asked to Explain.

If disapproved the senators presenting them are to have the right to submit them to the Republican caucus, which is to be called upon each schedule if amendments to it are proposed. The finance committee is to hold sessions each evening for the purpose of hearing propositions from Republican senators and to decide upon the advisability of presenting such amendments in the senate. The object of this proposition is to prevent the Republicans from dividing upon various schedules which might be presented. The necessity of this arrangement was developed by the debate and the various contentions of senators. In the early part of the caucus Aldrich was called upon for an explanation of the bill and some of the amendments. During the remarks Cullom called for a statement on the sugar schedule, over which there had been so much controversy.

Changes in the Sugar Schedule.

The explanation presented was largely technical, but the senators who heard him understood that the house schedule would largely exclude the coarse and low grade from Java, the Philippine Islands and other points. The protection in the senate bill was 75 per cent, and equalized the high protection on low grades and high grades. The effect of the house schedule would be to shut out the lower and cheaper grades of sugar, the system of compound duties presented by the senate bill being for the purpose of making this equality. The average rate in the senate bill was 75 per cent, with a differential of 1-8 of a cent on refined sugar. Aldrich said that this was not as advantageous to the sugar refiners as the house bill. The explanation seemed to cause general satisfaction.

MANY DIFFERENCES DEVELOP.

Western and Eastern Men at Odds on Duty on Hides—The Beer Tax.

There was some discussion upon the length of time the bill should be under discussion in the senate. Mason suggested that as soon as the opening speeches were made a move should be taken towards having a vote on the bill in two weeks. It was decided to ask that after the debate had run along for a week the senate begin its sessions at 11 o'clock and sit until 5:30 and have evening sessions from 8 to 11 p. m. Debate on the various schedules consumed the time of the caucus. A great deal of opposition was developed to the increased tax on beer and a duty on tea. Platt of New York, Hanna and Spooner were especially vigorous in their opposition to the increased tax on beer. It was pointed out that the Democrats had already stated their opposition to this tax and would make an effort to have the senate committee amendment eliminated.

They thought it would be wise to have an arrangement effected which would relieve Republican senators of embarrassment. It was determined that an effort should be made to secure revenue both from beer and tea by a stamp tax, which would accomplish the same result. Western senators referred to the wool schedules, Warren of Wyoming appearing as the spokesman for the wool growers of the west, said that the duties proposed by the committee were, in his judgment, inadequate, and he thought there should be increases on the lines of amendments proposed by the western senators.

Lodge spoke against the duty on hides, saying he did not see how he could avoid voting for an amendment which proposed placing hides on the free list. This statement raised a storm among the western men, who said that if such a method was proposed they would be compelled to vote for placing certain articles on the free list or for reducing the duty upon them. They did not expect that the Democrats would vote with them to increase duties. The westerners announced that to settle with the eastern men who voted to reduce duties on their products they would vote to reduce the duty on articles which they people purchased and did not produce. It was this state of affairs that brought forth the proposition of Burrows to submit proposed changes to the Republican members of the finance committee and then to the caucus.

There was no talk of bolting, and no senator said he would vote against the bill as a whole. It was on the matter of schedules that they disagreed. The question of abrogating the Hawaiian treaty caused a lively debate. Aldrich stated that the committee intended to bring in an amendment to this portion of the bill. Frye opposed the abrogation in the strongest possible terms, while Nelson of Minnesota made a vigorous speech in support of the committee amendment, declaring that the revenue which would be raised from the duty on

Hawaiian sugar would be greater than that which the committee expected to get from tea. He declared the admission of Hawaiian sugar free was in the interest of the sugar refiners and the consumers received no benefit from it.

INTERSTATE COMMISSION POWERS.

Cannot Prescribe Railway Rates to Control in the Future—What It Can Do.

Washington, May 25.—An important railway case was decided yesterday by the supreme court, which is construed to mean that the interstate commerce commission cannot lawfully pass upon rates to be put into effect in the future. The case was that of the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas. Various railroads were concerned, and the case was originally instituted by the freight bureau of Chicago and the Cincinnati chamber of commerce. The question involved was whether congress intended to confer upon the interstate commerce commission power to fix rates. The opinion was rendered by Justice Brewer. The gist of the opinion is found in the following paragraph: "Under the interstate commerce act the commission has no power to prescribe the tariff of rates which shall control in the future, and therefore cannot invoke a judgment in mandamus from the courts to force any such tariff by it prescribed."

Continuing Justice Brewer asked: "Has the commission no function to perform in respect to matter of rates?" Replying to his own question he said: "Unquestionably it has and most important duties in respect to this matter. It is charged with the general duty of inquiring as to the management of the business of railroad companies, and has the right to compel full and complete information as to the manner in which such companies are transacting business. And with this information it is charged with the duty of seeing that there is no violation of the long-and-short-haul clause; that there is no discrimination between individual shippers, and that nothing is done by rebate or otherwise to give preference to one against another, that no undue influence is given to one place against another, but that in all things that equality of right which is the great purpose of the interstate commerce act shall be secured to shippers."

An important decision interpreting the interstate commerce law was made in the case of C. S. Wright vs. the United States, from the district court for the western district of Pennsylvania. The case grew out of competition between the Panhandle and the Baltimore and Ohio roads for the beer-carrying business of F. H. Bruening, a wholesale beer dealer of Pittsburgh. The rates charged by both roads for beer was 15 cents per hundred between Cincinnati and Pittsburgh. The Panhandle road had a side track at Bruening's place of business, so that it could unload shipments into his premises, while it cost him 3½ cents per hundred to haul the goods from the Baltimore and Ohio station.

To secure the business the Baltimore and Ohio made an arrangement to deliver the goods to Bruening's warehouse, and afterward Bruening offered to do the hauling himself for 3½ cents per hundredweight, paying the railroad 15 cents per hundred for freight and presenting a monthly bill for 3½ cents per hundredweight to the railroad company, which was paid. Henry Wolf, another dealer, paid the same freight rates and also paid for his hauling, the distance being nearly as great as Bruening's goods were hauled. Complaint was made that the arrangement was in violation of section 2 of the interstate commerce act, prohibiting rebates, drawbacks, etc., and first the circuit court and yesterday the supreme court sustained this contention. The law, said Justice Brewer, was designed to compel every carrier to give equal rights to all shippers over its road, and to forbid it by any device to enforce higher charges against one than another.

In the case of the interstate commerce commission vs. the Detroit, Grand Haven and Milwaukee Railway company, appealed from the circuit court of appeals for the Sixth district by the commission, the decree of the court below was affirmed. The case was based upon a petition of Stone & Carten, retail merchants of Ionia, Mich., alleging violations of sections 2, 3 and 4 of the interstate commerce act. The interstate commerce commission sustained the petition, but the courts did not. The charge was that the railroad company furnished cartage free to the merchants of Grand Rapids and did not to the Ionia merchants. The court held that "the fourth section of the act has in view only the transportation of passengers and property by rail, and that when the passengers and property reached and were discharged from the cars at the company's station at Grand Rapids for the same charges as those received for similar service at Ionia the duties cast upon the company were fulfilled."

The supreme court adjourned yesterday until next October. When the court reopens the final adjournment for the term there were apparently 380 cases on the docket undisposed of, but there were actually 359 cases, 21 having already been argued and submitted. This is a smaller number than the records of the court have shown for thirty years.

HAS THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE, NIT

Test of an Alleged Invention for Producing Gold and Silver.

Washington, May 25.—During the last three weeks three expert metallurgists connected with the mint bureau have been conducting a secret investigation in the laboratory of the treasury department into the claims of a man named E. C. Brice that he had discovered a process for producing or creating silver and gold from the base metals, etc. Some months ago Brice applied for a patent on his process, which was denied pending an actual test. The report of the experts follows the tests in every detail and concludes as follows:

"During these experiments, which have now extended over some three weeks, and have involved an amount of painstaking labor which we hope has not been entirely wasted, we have seen not the slightest evidence of any creation or transmutation. On the contrary, the claimant failed in every instance to recover the entire amount of silver and gold known to be present in the materials."

The Major Congratulates Victoria.

Washington, May 25.—The president yesterday sent a cable message to Queen Victoria, congratulating her on the celebration of her 78th birthday.

HID UNDER A BED

And Heard Luetgert Make Incriminating Admissions.

STORY A DETECTIVE WILL TELL

In the Trial of the Accused Chicago Sausage Manufacturer—Night Watchman Also to Swear to Some Damaging Facts—Son of the Accused Testifies—A Woman's Evidence—Developments in the Death of N. B. Clark at Milwaukee.

Chicago, May 25.—While lying under a bed in the home of Frank Glalk, former night watchman at the Luetgert factory, one of Captain Schuetzler's detectives is said to have listened to a conversation between the accused wife murderer and the watchman. Admissions made by Luetgert on this occasion are said to have caused the immediate arrest of the man, and the story of what passed between the sausage-maker and his employee will be told today in Justice Kersten's court. Other portions of Glalk's testimony will be nearly as interesting. He will swear that Luetgert ordered him to remain away from the vat room on the night of May 1; that twice during the night he sent him out for a bottle of medicine. Upon his return with these articles Luetgert, each time, opened the barred doors, reached through the opening, took the bottle and hastily closed and barred the door.

Testimony of Luetgert's Son.

The preliminary hearing of Adolph L. Luetgert was resumed before Justice Kersten at the criminal court building yesterday. Louis A. Luetgert, a 12-year-old son of the accused man, was the first witness. He testified that he did not see his father go out of the house the night of May 1; that he did hear his mother go out, but did not see her as she left. He was sent to bed at 10 o'clock the night in question, after which he heard only single footsteps. In describing his mother Louis said she wore false upper teeth, and that she had on two rings. She had said nothing to him before leaving the house. His testimony went to prove that his father and mother left the house separately. Mrs. Otto Tusch was the next witness. She testified to the disappearance of Mrs. Luetgert and said that on the following day she asked Luetgert why smoke was coming out of the factory.

Expresses Anger at His Wife.

Luetgert did not tell her of his wife's disappearance. Some days later she asked the prisoner where his wife was and he answered that he did not know. She told Luetgert the police were after him, and he said he was innocent. He also said the engineer had been talking too much. Two weeks before Mrs. Luetgert's disappearance Luetgert went into a saloon where witness was. He appeared downcast. When asked the reason for his low spirits he said he had just had a quarrel with his wife. "I feel," he said, "as if I could take her and—" But the witness interrupted him and said she should not talk that way about his wife. At this point Luetgert, the prisoner, interrupted the witness, saying it was a shame she should be allowed to tell such stories in court. It took both his attorneys to quiet him.

CASE OF NELSON B. CLARK.

Neukom's Story of the Woman Who Called the Bark King "Deac."

Milwaukee, May 25.—The woman who figured in the mystery surrounding the death of Nelson B. Clark, the Grand Rapids lumberman, is at last believed to have been discovered. Edward F. Neukom, draughtsman at the Allis Iron works, saw a man answering the description of Clark walking along a lonely thoroughfare a few blocks from where his body was found the following morning, and identifies the woman who was with the supposed lumberman on that occasion, and who pulled him by the lapel of his overcoat as she pleaded with him to "come along, dearie." The man whom Neukom saw lurking in the background watching the actions of the couple also answers in description that of the husband of the woman.

It is possible the woman identified by Neukom may have been in the company of her husband or some near relative, but if the police have any information to that effect they have failed to make it known. They furthermore do not deny that Neukom's identification was as complete as it was possible for it to be under the circumstances, but they refuse to state whether they have followed up this clue. It is known that this woman's husband was not expected by her to arrive in the city until Saturday evening, but that he did arrive Friday night has been established. Whether he passed that evening at home is an important factor in determining the value of this clue. The police department appears to be moving slowly in the matter.

Neukom has received two threatening letters during the past few days. The first one warned him to maintain silence regarding his observations on the eventful Friday night. It was headed, "First warning," and under this were the words, "Shut up. Take heed at your peril." Experts in penmanship think this letter was written by a woman in a disguised hand. A second threatening letter was received by Neukom, but the police refuse to state the nature of its contents. The Milwaukee friends of Clark say the family will offer a reward of \$2,500 during the next few days for information resulting in the arrest and conviction of the party responsible for his death. It is believed this reward will greatly stimulate the efforts to fathom the mystery.

Iowa Federation of Labor.

Des Moines, May 25.—The state Federation of Labor began its annual session here yesterday. L. T. Jones, of Burlington, presiding. The federation includes representatives from all organized labor in the state except the railroad orders. An address of welcome was made by A. L. Urick, of Des Moines, and a reply by A. S. Kehm, of Ottumwa. The rest of the day was devoted to the appointment of committees and preliminary business generally.

Duester Robbed on Shipboard.

Milwaukee, May 25.—Ex-Congressman P. V. Duester, of this city, editor of The Seaboard, and at present consul at Crefeld, Germany, was robbed of \$264 while returning to this country on a furlough last week. He left his pocketbook under his pillow in his stateroom on the Friesland.

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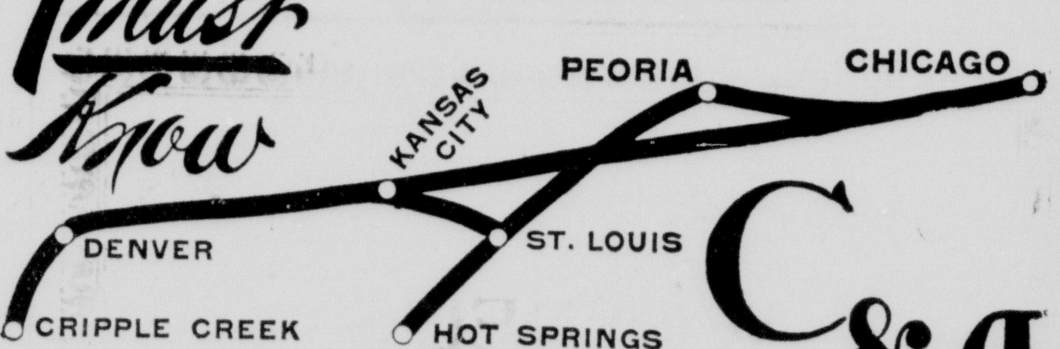
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HONORS VICTORIA.

Presbyterian Assembly's Tribute to Britain's Queen.

MESSAGE SENT TO HER MAJESTY.

Congratulating Her and the British Empire on the "Day They Celebrate"—Done Unanimously by a Rising Vote—Routine Business in the Gathering—Chaplain McCabe on the Rejection of Arbitration—American Baptist Missionary Union.

Eagle Lake, Ind., May 25.—The morning session of the Presbyterian general assembly was devoted to reports of the freedmen's board and the board of home missions, both of which were elaborate and full of bookkeeping. At the opening of the afternoon session John Wanamaker gained the floor and said: "I rise to a question of privilege, believing that this assembly would like to be reminded that today is the anniversary of that most noble woman who reigns over the British kingdom. Inasmuch as the compact between Scotland and Ireland embraces the Westminster confession of faith, and her majesty the queen attends the Presbyterian church while residing in Scotland, and in some measure belongs to our body, from whom all her Scottish chaplains are appointed, it seems meet that some notice should be taken of her birthday at this particular time, when the English nation celebrates her diamond jubilee. It has been well said of her that one does not know which to admire more, the queenliness of the woman or the womanliness of the queen."

Greetings Unanimously Adopted. Wanamaker introduced the following, which the assembly ordered by a rising vote to be sent to the queen: "This day being the seventy-eighth anniversary of birth and the sixtieth anniversary of the coronation of her most gracious majesty, Queen Victoria, whose reign has lasted longer than that of any other monarch in the last 1,000 years, this general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America deems it fitting, and does hereby, send most cordial Christian greetings to both the illustrious Christian sovereign and the subjects of her gentle, generous and righteous rule over the destinies of an empire upon which the sun never sets."

Other Business Before the Assembly. The regular order of the afternoon was the consideration of the report of the board of education. The assembly resolved to place the minute limit of its grants to theological students at \$80, even if this should result in cutting off some students from aid. The second order was the discussion of the reports on the Presbyterian building at New York. The matter was discussed for the remainder of the session and went over as unfinished business. The annual union meeting of the woman's board of foreign missions under the auspices of the central committee, was held yesterday in the woman's building.

CHAPLAIN MCCABE ON THE TREATY.

Methodist Bishop Says Uncle Sam Has Lost a Great Opportunity.

Pittsburg, May 25.—Bishop C. C. McCabe, probably better known as Chaplain McCabe, of the Methodist Episcopal church, was in the city yesterday en route west to look after church interests. In speaking of the failure to adopt the arbitration treaty Bishop McCabe scored congress, and said that a great chance for the American people to set an example to the world in the general movement for international peace had been lost. "It is deeply to be regretted," said he, "such an opportunity for planting the seeds of peace among the civilized nations of the globe should not have been passed by."

HE STRUCK AT ROCKEFELLER.

Baptist Preacher Hits at the Oil Magnate—Missions the Theme.

Pittsburg, May 25.—After devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Emory W. Hunt, of Ohio, the eighty-third anniversary of the American Baptist Missionary union began in the Fourth Avenue Baptist church at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. The American Baptist Missionary union, organized May 1814, has charge of all the foreign mission work and also has a number of institutions for higher education established under its control in foreign lands as follows: The Baptist Theological seminary, Inscon, near Rangoon, Burma; Rangoon Baptist college, Burma; the Brownson Telugu Theological seminary, Ramapatam, India; the American Baptist Mission school, Shanghai, China; the Baptist Theological seminary, Yokohama, Japan; Bethel seminary, Stockholm, Sweden, and the Baptist Theological school, Hamburg, Germany.

The meeting of the Baptist Home Missionary society was stirred to the center by a sensational speech touching on the charities of the Standard Oil magnate John D. Rockefeller. The speaker was Rev. W. H. Cossum, a missionary from China, who arose and said he was opposed to retrenchment. "You sent me to China to work," said he, "and you can't retrench me. You can't retard the work by retrenchment. I say to John D. Rockefeller, or to any man who offers us money: First, consecrate yourself to God; make your gift clean and we will accept it. Otherwise we should not touch it. I don't say this about John D. Rockefeller particularly, or alone, but to all who make such offers."

Cumberland Presbyterians. Chicago, May 25.—Mission work was discussed yesterday in the Cumberland Presbyterian general assembly. This topic will form an important part in the remaining sessions of the conference. Papers were read by Rev. Samuel Gervin, of Gibson City, Ill.; Rev. A. E. Turner, of Lincoln university, Lincoln, Ill.; Rev. A. G. Bergen, of Mattoon,

Ill., and Professor H. L. Steidley, of Lincoln university. At the afternoon session "City Evangelization" was treated in addresses by Professor C. R. Henderson and R. W. Howert, of the University of Chicago.

THERE SEEM TO BE OTHERS.

Illinois Statesmen Not the Only Ones Who Raise Cain Occasionally.

London, May 25.—The Standard's correspondent at Vienna says: The obstruction which has characterized the proceedings in the reichsrath during the last few weeks culminated yesterday in an unprecedented scene. The president became so much excited in anticipation of trouble that he fainted before the session opened, and the vice president had to take the chair. For hours the members of the opposition had recourse to every parliamentary device for obstructing business, and finally, when these were exhausted, they overturned the desks, smashed inkstands, flung books in the faces of the speakers, indulged in coarse invective, and finally came to blows in a general riot.

The German party, inflamed with rage at the edict making the Czech language the official language of Bohemia, crowded with clenched fists around the ministerial table, where Count Badeni, the premier, sat pale as ashes, and shouted: "Down with the Polish Badeni." Finally the sitting was suspended amid great disorder.

MICHIGAN HAS A SCANDAL.

Charge That Money Was Used in Procuring the Pardon of Wixom.

Lansing, Mich., May 25.—The legislative committee which investigated the pardon by Governor Pingree of Convict Wixom, an inmate of the Jackson state prison, reported last night that the pardon was irregular, and intimated that Sybrant Wessellus, state railroad commissioner, was responsible for it. The committee reported testimony to the effect that Wessellus was to have gotten \$500 for his influence in securing the pardon, and charges that the railroad commissioner is guilty of contempt in having failed to

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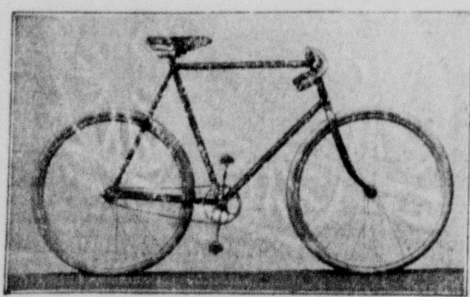
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PICNIC DAY.

Thursday, June 3—Dubuque's Great
Day—Special Trains and
Special Rates.

The Modern Woodmen of America
will hold their national head camp-
meeting at Dubuque June 1 to 7, and
have set aside Thursday, June 3, for
their celebrated picnic day. This will
undoubtedly be the greatest jollification
ever had in Iowa. There will be a
grand parade of 20,000 Woodmen and
50 bands of music. Prize and exhibi-
tion drills between all the crack teams
of the order in the United States.
Steamboat excursions on the Missis-
sippi. Base ball games between the
Dubuques and Rockfords. Trotting
races at Nutwood Park. Picnic and
athletic sports at Shooting Park. Log
rolling and chopping contests. Dances
and entertainment at the grand opera
house and amusement for everybody
in the evening. Gov. Drake of Iowa
ex-Gov. Hoard of Wisconsin, Senator
Allison, Congressman Henderson,
Mayor Duffy and others of the great
western orators will make speeches.
The whole city will be given over to
the visitors. Meals can be had for 15
cents and upward. The grand parade
will start at 11 o'clock sharp in the
forenoon.

Lee County Telephone Company.

The Lee County Telephone Company
had a directors meeting Saturday
evening to elect officers for the ensuing
year. L. D. Pitcher was elect presi-
dent, James H. Thompson secretary
and Jason C. Ayres treasurer. The
directors are W. C. Dysart, C. F. Em-
erson, I. B. Countryman, Jas. H.
Thompson and L. D. Pitcher. Work
is progressing favorably and they have
the finest switch board arrangement in
the state outside of Chicago and have
used six thousand six hundred feet of
cable. They commenced setting
phones yesterday and will push the
work as fast as possible and we hope to
publish a good number of those made
happy each day. Those already placed
are:

No. 150. Prof. J. C. Hartwell. Resi-
dence.
No. 31. Davis & Baird. Greenhouse.
No. 108. I. D. Appleford. Residence.
No. 151. Philip Miller. Residence.
No. 152. D. M. Fahrney. Residence.
No. 153. Prof. E. C. Smith. Residence.
No. 19. L. D. Pitcher. Residence.

They have the switch board so ar-
ranged that they can and will give
all subscribers their old numbers, which
will be very convenient.

Decoration Day at Palmyra.

At Sugar Grove church, Palmyra,
Decoration Day exercises will be ob-
served on Sunday, May 30, at 2 o'clock
in the afternoon, and Judge R. S. Far-
rand of this city will be the speaker of
the day. As the Dixon exercises take
place on Saturday there will be a
large attendance from here.

Modern Woodmen.

The C. & N. W. railway company
will sell excursion round trip tickets to
Dubuque to the M. W. of A. picnic on
June 3 for \$2.25, good for that day only.
The Dixon Military band and Wood-
men from this city will go by that
route. The ride from Fulton to Du-
buque is over the C. B. & N., and is
very beautiful, as the track follows the
Mississippi river.

—The attendance last evening at
Capt. Ament's circus was about seven
hundred. The entertainment through-
out was firstclass, the captain having
the best talent obtainable. Major
O'Laughlin, as a gun spinner and drum
major, is a wonder. James Dashington
has no superior as a contortionist. The
Rosar trio, as musicians, are funny and
immense. Slackey and Hellman did
some very difficult feats on the slack
wire, riding of bicycle, stilt-walking,
etc. Capt. Ament is no doubt the
champion rifle shot of America, his
exhibition last evening was without a
miss. His wife, not being in practice,
is not so good. The entertainment is
well worth the patronage of the citi-
zens of Dixon, being thoroughly clean
in every respect. They remain here
the balance of this week, and will have
a change of program nightly.

—Henry Rodemeier, Stephenson
county, dropped dead while returning
from church Sunday from a valvular
disease of the heart. He was thirty-
eight years of age and unmarried.

The Rest Tour Association.

The latest annual report of the Wom-
an's Rest Tour association, of which
Mrs. Julia Ward Howe is president,
brings that admirable organization to
the end of its fifth year of existence and
emphasizes its establishment upon a
permanent basis. It counts now between
600 and 700 members, scattered all over
the country, who are pledged to its in-
terests in the co-operative and mutually
helpful spirit which is the raison d'être
of the sisterhood. To women planning
trips anywhere, at home or abroad, in-
to unknown districts the association
offers company or chaperons if desired,
a selected and exclusive lodging list
not to be got elsewhere and suited to
all purses, a handbook of foreign travel
compiled from practical experience
and other helpful information ad libi-
tum. From its traveling fund money
is loaned, under the supervision of its
finance committee, to provide vacation
trips for women in need of rest and
change. The Elizabeth O. Robbins
Memorial library is the gift to the as-
sociation of an extended collection of
standard guidebooks for the use of
members. Some of the well known
women interested are Mrs. J. Montgom-
ery Sears, Mrs. Kate Gannett Wells,
Mrs. Both-Hendricksen, Miss Louise Im-
ogen Guiney and Mrs. James T. Fields.
The headquarters of the association are
at 264 Boylston street, Boston.—Phila-
delphia Ledger.

A Woman Scientist.

Miss Jennie A. Estes had the honor
of being the only woman who took an
active part in the fourth annual exhibi-
tion of the New York Academy of Sci-
ences, which recently closed. Miss Estes
came to the exhibition, out of pure love
of the cause, to assist Professor Dwight
in the exhibition of a wonderful ma-
chine invented by himself, called the
pitsonome. It is used for cutting very
thin rock sections for examination un-
der the microscope. They can be cut as
thin as the 1.100 part of an inch and
are then mounted between two plates of
glass.

Miss Estes was Professor Dwight's
pupil at Vassar college and did, he
says, particularly good work, much of
which was sent to the Chicago exposi-
tion. One of the labels which he had
on his exhibits read, "The two finest
specimens here were prepared by Miss
Jennie A. Estes of Brooklyn."

The only other feminine work at the
exhibition was a collection of water
colors depicting the flora of Australia
and New Guinea by Mrs. Ellis Rowan.
Twenty gold medals have been awarded
to the artist at various places for these
drawings.—New York Tribune.

As a Public Speaker.

Woman's abilities as a public speaker
seem to be suddenly discovered these
days by several surprised journalists.
Mr. Dana, in a recent editorial in the
New York Sun, says:

"We doubt whether there were in
any other winter as many speechmakers
and essay readers of what used to be
called the 'softer sex' as there have
been the past winter. We think that as
many as 100 of them have favored the
New York public within the past three
months, discoursing upon science, lit-
erature, the drama, reform, philosophy,
the arts and other high themes. We
think that there are in this country
more women able to deliver such dis-
courses than could be found in all the
other countries of the earth. A fair pro-
portion of them are good scholars, rea-
soners and thinkers, full of useful wis-
dom. It is a pleasure to listen to a
speech, lecture or essay that is the pro-
duction of such a woman. American
women in these times are engaged in
all kinds of business, and it is their
privilege, or indeed their right, to en-
gage in this kind. How melodious of-
tentimes is the voice of a woman of
understanding!"

Lady Aberdeen on Clubs.

The Countess of Aberdeen, president
of the National Council of Women for
Canada and wife of the governor general
of Canada, delivered the address at the
quarterly convocation of the University
of Chicago on April 1. Lady Aberdeen
said that the idea of coeducation and
co-operation should be accepted through-
out life. The forming of associations of
women has been necessary for training
and strength, but should be regarded as
a temporary expedient to meet a tempo-
rary need. "Man was not meant to live
alone," she said, "but still less was
woman. It may be well and desirable
at the present time to have our women's
clubs and councils, and let us put our
best effort into them to make them pro-
duce their best fruit, but let us also re-
member that they are but a means to an
end and that the redemption of the race
can only be compassed by men and women
joining hands and making common
cause in every department of life—not
both necessarily doing the same work,
but combining to do each their own
part of the whole together."

Smaller Evening Sleeves.

For a long time past the sleeves of
our evening frocks have become "small
by degrees and beautifully less," and
now they seem likely to vanish alto-
gether and give place to the simple
shoulder straps, bunches of flowers or
bows of ribbon, always regarded with
affection by those who are the happy
possessors of beautiful arms. A charm-
ing dinner dress which has just been
completed is arranged in turquoise blue
brocade, with actual shoulder straps of
darker blue velvet and no further ves-
tige of a sleeve of any kind. In this in-
stance, for once in a way, a skirt of
turquoise blue brocade is perfectly plain,
while the bodice has a bolero of real
lace, caught up in the center with a big
bow of dark blue velvet drawn through
a large square buckle of diamonds, says
Madam. Bordered the velvet shoulder
straps, on the side farthest from the
arm, there are masses of La France
roses, which relieve wonderfully the
somewhat severe style of the gown.—
New York Telegram.

THE MATURE BELLE.

Woman's Age of Greater Charm Is Being
Extended.

The ruling woman of the present
day is the mature woman. The maiden
of bashful 15, the bud of 18, the clear
eyed girl of 20, all must stand aside for
their older sister, who leads the proces-
sion. The age at which women are sup-
posed to exercise their greatest charm
varies with the varying of fashion and
taste. In the Elizabethan era it was 14.
Other heroines as celebrated in their
day and generation as Juliet were the
instigators of tragic loves and hates at
that extremely juvenile age. Half a
century ago Balzac astonished his coun-
trymen by claiming unusual powers of
fascination for the woman of 30. Ever
since she has held the stage as an in-
carnation of coquettish attraction. At
the present day the period of beauty and
charm has been extended even further.
Balzac's 30 has received an additional
ten years. Women of 40 are no longer
looked upon as ruins in which the an-
tiquarian may trace relics of bygone
splendor. With the vanishing of the
term "old maid" the old maid herself
has withdrawn into the place of depart-
ed spirits. In France an unmarried girl
of over 25 is looked upon as dead stock,
for which there is nothing but a con-
vent. Today, in the United States,
women of independent means, women
of society, women who are self support-
ing, rarely marry under 25, and gener-
ally put off that episode in their exist-
ence to five or ten years later.

There are many reasons for the pres-
ent vogue of the mature belle. She is
more attractive, understands human na-
ture better than her younger sister.
She is still good looking. Her youth
lasts longer than it used to, because she
has learned how to take care of herself.
American women formerly ruined their
beauty by bad diet, no exercise and too
little fresh air. Now they know better.
A healthy, well groomed woman, who
is not overworked or overworried, looks
about the same age at 40 as she did at
25.

With her additional years has come
additional wisdom. If she has not the
engaging simplicity that was hers at 18,
she has a knowledge of men and man-
ners which makes her a more interest-
ing companion, a more lovable human
being. Experience has given her the
gift of sympathy, of which the young
girl feels nothing. To men she has come
to represent not only all that is grace-
ful and gracious and tactful in woman-
hood, but all that is broad and tender
and feminine.

Among workingwomen—from the
artistic to the plain workingwoman—the
maturer ones are naturally in the
ascendant. The young girl among the
workers is the novice whom no one
knows or cares much about. It is when
the years of endeavor have been passed,
and mind and heart have reached their
fullest powers of comprehension and
feeling, that she is at the pinnacle of
her development. In these days of hur-
ry and pressure and intensity of effort
such a creature naturally takes prece-
dence over the untried girl who is wait-
ing with expectant eyes for the message
of the future. Existence is too full, the
struggle too serious, for the return of
those days when youth, ignorance, beau-
ty and folly were the great requisites of
women. The times are stirring, the
pressure of existence desperately ear-
nest, and man in his struggle demands
a helpmate who can assist him onward,
not drag him back. Chivalry in its
downfall carried away many pretty
myths, the prettiest the myth of the
child wife hanging, frightened and faint
hearted, on her husband's arm.—San
Francisco Argonaut.

A Progressive Club.

The Woman's club of Atlanta, start-
ing in a most catholic spirit a little over
a year ago with a \$2 initiation fee and
\$1 dues, that no woman who wishes
membership and is desirable in other
ways shall be excluded for a question of
means has hit upon a novel plan to
augment its income. It owns a large ad-
vertising board, holding about 100 cards
a foot square. These spaces are sold to
business firms for \$10 per foot per year.
The scheme has proved highly suc-
cessful.

To illustrate further the practicality
of the club, its conduct of a recent lec-
ture course may be cited. Desiring to
have a series of lectures on "The Peo-
ples of Europe" from Professor Dunn,
lecturer on ethnology in the University
of Cincinnati, the club arranged a cir-
cuit of four other towns—Knoxville,
Rome, Macon and Barnesville, Ga. On
the six weeks' course the Woman's club,
which did not expect profit, only ex-
penses, found itself richer by \$250.—
New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Miss Lily Whitaker.

Miss Lily Whitaker of New Orleans
has been invited by Dr. Curry of the
faculty of the Boston School of Oratory
to take charge of the department of elocution
at the Montague (Tenn.) assem-
bly the coming summer. Miss Whitaker
is widely known in the south as a bril-
liant educator, writer and elocutionist.
She is founder and director of the New
Orleans College of Oratory, principal of
McDonogh No. 9 school and president of
the New Orleans Educational associa-
tion. Miss Ida Whitaker is also an ac-
complished educator and shares the hon-
ors showered upon her elder sister.

Invented by a Woman.

Miss Fanny Grothjan, New York
city, has invented a device which in-
stantly detaches runaway horses from a
carriage. The detachmer not only sepa-
rates the horse from the vehicle, but is
so constructed that immediately after-
ward the operating rod is transformed
into a steering gear. Any one can easi-
ly steer the vehicle in any direction de-
sired. This invention has been exhibi-
ted at recent horse sales and its practi-
cability thoroughly demonstrated. Miss
Grothjan is an artist and has lately re-
turned from a five years' course of study
in Paris.



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LESSON 9, MAY 30, 1897. JAMES 2: 14-23.

CHRISTIAN FAITH LEADS TO GOOD WORKS.

James, the author of this epistle, called "James the Just" also "The Lord's brother" (Gal. 1: 19) was one of the three pillars of the early church (Gal. 2: 9) and leader of the church at Jerusalem.

V. 14. "What doth it profit if a man say he hath faith and have not works?" Note, that the question is not—What doth it profit if a man have faith and have not works—for that is not a supposable case. Professing to have faith is one thing, and having faith may be quite another, as a man may claim to have great wealth and yet not possess a dollar; or to possess great skill as a physician, and be a dangerous quack. Mental assent to the truth is not faith. There is as much difference between mental assent, and faith, as there is between having faith in prayer, and praying in faith. Professed repentance is not enough—works are necessary (Mat. 3: 7-8 and Titus 1: 16.) The question is not whether faith saves, but whether a mere profession of faith apart from works, will save.

Vs. 15-17. Expressions of kind wishes and sympathy may be empty and valueless unless coming from a warm heart—willing to aid as far as possible. Faith, apart from works, is dead—does nothing, helps no one, does not glorify God nor help men—and is no more a living, active, saving faith, than a corpse is a living man.

V. 18. "Show me thy faith without thy works." It is impossible: A tree is known by its fruit, so is faith, and the fruit of faith is good works: Works being the only outward evidence of faith. Jno. 15: 8. Dorcas showed her faith by helping the poor widows (Acts 9: 36-39.) Zaccheus showed his faith by restoring fourfold wherever he had defrauded. (Luke 19: 8.)

V. 19. Demons, wiser than men—believe there is one God and but one; (Luke 4: 34) and knowing of the eternal justice and power of God, they "tremble," but are not thereby saved. They are orthodox in their belief so far as their belief goes, but orthodox opinions alone cannot save.

Vs. 21-23. Abraham was justified by a genuine, active faith that manifested itself in works. God could see the faith, man could see only the works. Long before He was called to offer His son He was justified by faith. (Gen. 15: 6.) When Paul speaks of justification by faith he means living, saving faith. (Gal. 5: 6. Titus 3: 8.) Abraham was called "the friend of God" (Isa. 41: 8) a high honor, but one may share (Jno. 15: 14) for God is no respecter of persons (Acts 10: 34-35.) Possibly a greater honor is possible for us. See Mat. 12: 50.

"If faith produce no works, I see That faith is not a living tree. For faith and works together grow. No separate life they e'er can know: They're soul and body,—hand and heart: What God hath joined, let no man part." —HANNAH MOORE.

LESSONS AND REFLECTIONS.

A true faith is shown in the outward life.

A man may be a professor and not a possessor.

Works alone cannot save; faith alone saves but not the faith that is alone.

A faith that does not save us from the power of sin here, cannot save us from the consequences of sin hereafter.

A faith that does not give victory over the world is not saving faith.—See I. Jno. 5: 4-5.

Suggestions About Cuba.

Our dispatches last evening announced that the resolutions which passed the United States senate, urging Uncle Sam to take the Spanish bull by the tail and sling it out of Cuba, have been retired to a pigeon hole by the House. It is well. The blood and thunder speeches on the resolutions have been passed and the good constituents of the senators have read them and (the simple ones) believed that they were as blood-thirsty as their hot words indicated; while the grave and reverend senators have wiped the perspiration from their brows, had their jokes and cocktails over the war of words; perhaps dined and wine with the Spanish minister; and by this time arrived at the cold blooded conclusion that President McKinley in his good common sense sort of a fashion will do the rest in his own proper time and manner. With the aid of Calhoun, Lee and others, the President will secure all possible facts about Cuba; and to act without the facts would be not much less than treason to his country. United States senators who fear not war will never lose a drop of blood or a moment's sleep over Cuban affairs. They are no doubt brave but unscarred warriors; while our president who acts for Uncle Sam must before God bear the blame of every drop of human blood wasted in a bad cause, and account to the people for money squandered in unnecessary entangling alliances.

The reading public should bear in mind several important things in this Cuban question, viz: President McKinley can procure the facts, while newspaper correspondents are unable to do so only to a limited extent. There are many sensational newspapers that do not desire to publish the facts for the simple reason that exaggerated reports serve their purpose better. Speeches are made in congress on the basis of newspaper reports. All Americans would delight to see Cuba free, but our government must obey international law to be respected among nations, as individuals should obey the laws of their country. Talk is cheap but war is expensive and cruel. There is much talk of recognizing Cuban government, when there is no such government to recognize, that we are aware of at the present writing.

In this connection it would be well to call attention to the statesmanlike remarks of our member of congress, Mr. Hitt, given heretofore in our report of congressional proceedings, in which he gave the semi-official information that the president has begun on active and effective steps to secure the independence and peace of Cuba. This fact has been once or twice intimated, but it was not accepted until announced from the floor by a member who is in the confidence of the administration counsels, and who had just come from a conference at the white house over this very question. If the president can liberate Cuba by bloodless revolution he will deserve the thanks of mankind. The entire country is becoming intensely excited over that war so near our shores and we must look to statesmen with cool heads to act for us in such an emergency.

She Never Kissed.

"I reckon if I wus to ketch my daughter kissin of a man I'd just natchelly cut him into mince meat ground fine," said the old man from the swamps of the Bracken hills.

"Then your daughter won't kiss the boys?" ventured a Dover youth with spectacles.

"Well, I reckon not, young man," and the old man gave him a look that dazzled his specs.

"But—ah, you know, some girls—who are engaged—you know—sometimes kiss their—their—boys—you know—and—it's all right and proper—and—"

The old man looked at him real hard, and, after watching the youth wilt like a tobacco leaf in an August sun, thundered out, "Well, my daughter never kissed a livin man, not even her pap—ner a poodle dog, ner a cat, ner nothin."

"But there's no harm—and why—er—why—er?" stammered the brave youth.

"Well, I reckon the most principal reason why my daughter never kissed nothin is that I never had any daughter."

And the thoughtful silence of the young man was so dense that you could hear the price of farm lands drop quietly, drop by drop, while the farm products hanging in the tobacco shed tier by tier.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

INAUGURATION DAY.

When It Will Fall Upon Sundays and What Then Happens.

From the year 1917 to the year 2085 inauguration day will fall on Sunday every 28 years, but in changing from the twentieth century to the twenty-first the 40 year period comes in, and after 2085 the next inauguration Sunday will be in 2125. So, there will be a 40 year period from 2181 to 2221 and from 2277 to 2317, but only a 28 year period from 2373 to 2401, as 23 is not divisible by 4.

During any century whose number is divisible by 4 inauguration day falls on Sunday 4 times. During any century whose number is not divisible by 4, it falls on Sunday only 3 times. From 2000 to 2100, for instance, it will fall on Sunday 4 times and also from 2400 to 2500, 20 and 24 being divisible by 4, but from 1900 to 2000, it will fall on Sunday only 3 times, and so from 2100 to 2200, 19 and 21 not being divisible by 4. Observe that, in speaking of the "number of a century" we do not mean the year; 20 is the number of the century—which we divide by 4—and 2000 is the year. Observe, also, that in all this we are not speaking of the recurrence of the date, March 4, but of the particular March 4ths that are inauguration days.

Here is a table showing how many times inauguration day falls on each of the seven days of the week from the year 1800 to the year 3000:

DAYS OF THE WEEK.	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200	2300	2400	2500	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000
Sunday.....	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Monday.....	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Tuesday.....	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Wednesday.....	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Thursday.....	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Friday.....	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Saturday.....	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

Perhaps it might be well to say that when inauguration day falls on Sunday, the incoming president takes the oath on Saturday, March 3, but is not formally inducted into office until Monday, March 5. This is done to prevent a lapse in the office, for the outgoing president has no authority as such after 12 o'clock, noon, on March 4, whether that date fall on Sunday or on any other day. If, therefore, occasion should arise between noon on Sunday, March 4, and noon on Monday, March 5, for the exercise of the presidential authority, the incoming president, having taken the oath of office, would be qualified to perform the duty. Such a case never has arisen, but it might arise.—Philadelphia Times.

The Beggars of Italy.

"Bicycling Through the Dolomites," in The Century, is an account of Colonel George E. Waring's European trip. Concerning mendicancy in Italy, Colonel Waring writes: "Perhaps there is no better index to the good or bad condition of the working people of a country than is afforded by the number of beggars one meets on the roads. The poles set up at the border of Austria, with their spiral stripes of yellow and black, do not mark the line between it and Italy much more clearly than does the advent of the beggar the moment the line is crossed. In Austrian Tyrol there are virtually no beggars. On the Italian side, even well dressed people in the fields will leave their work to beg coppers from the passing traveler.

One day, in the upper Innthal, a couple of bright looking, rosy faced children ran after us, asking for kreutzers. "Maw knix" upbraided them for such a shameful act, and they slunk away. He spoke of this with much indignation to a neighbor, who said their whole family were away in the fields at work, or they would not have dared to beg, and that he would see that they were well spanked when their mother came home at night. Nuns and a few favored cripples sometimes ask alms at the doors of the churches in the larger towns, and the poor box is always found inside, but the peasantry and the churches take care of their own poor, so that the vice of beggary is unknown among them.

In Italy, on the other hand, it is obvious that special conditions of deformity are artificially produced. Both legs broken and badly reset in childhood constitute a good source of income for life, and anything that appeals to sympathy is made the occasion for cultivating a very mistaken and mischievous charity.

A Coincidence.

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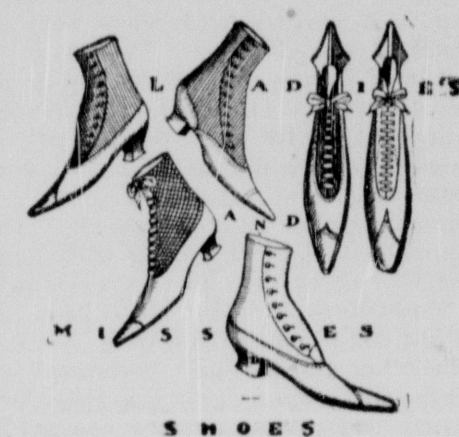
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Farewell forever more!
How can I let thee pass, old year.
The threshold of my door?

For when thou farrest forth, old year,
Then wilt not go alone,
But only I shall see, old year,
Upon the threshold stone
The footprints in the snow, old year,
Trod deep beside thine own!

There's one that journeys forth, old year,
With thee across the snow,
That hand in hand with thee, old year,
Out at my door will go,
But only I shall know, old year,
But only I shall know!

And new year's snows will fall, old year,
And drift my threshold o'er,
And new year's suns will rise, old year,
And shine upon my floor,
The feet that pass this night, old year,
Go forth for evermore!

—Mary A. M. Marks in Temple Bar.

SEAMAN'S FAITH.

Many, many years ago, on the coast
of the Baltic sea, where the beautiful
wooded mountains of the resort Zoppot
raise their heads, there lived a heathen
fisher named Trasiko. Wild and rude as
the sea which, autumn and spring,
broke in storm lashed fury on the dunes,
was the old man; weather hardened
were his soul and hand; defiant and in-
exorable as the cliffs, his character; no
man had ever heard a good word from
his mouth. His hut was built high on
the sand, forlorn and frail, a plaything
for the tempest that roared around it
and a coveted prey of the waves that
struggled up higher toward it every
year and eagerly tore away piece after
piece of the narrow dune that was the
foot and support of the hill. Yes, the
sea was like a cunning and faithless
woman who stretched out her white
arms threateningly and coaxingly to
the fisher; who, full of enticing favor
threw the rich treasures of shipwrecked
vessels into his lap, and then, with im-
patient haste, strove to draw him and
all his precious belongings down to her
in the cool, death still, crystal palace.
Trasiko knew the mighty deities who
often raised their snow crowned heads
above the water, angry or smiling,
wreathed with rushes in the sunshine
or driving furiously in their shell form-
ed chariots over the waves at night,
amid thunder and lightning. He made
sacrifices to them when he needed their
help and reviled them when they re-
fused it.

The old man had stored up great
wealth in his cabin during the long
years, but the loveliest pearl that ever
man's eyes looked upon did not lie with
these treasures of the dead, but stood
like an angel of light, living and bloss-
oming on the hill, gazing with long-
ing blue eyes out upon the sea as if
she were sure of seeing a sail loom up
at last upon the horizon with "Deliv-
erance" as skipper and "Happiness" as
cargo. Swanada was the fisher's golden
haired daughter, the most beautiful
flower that had ever sprung from this
stern cliff land, the valued goal toward
which the youths of the coast and of
the neighboring islands made their way
through wind and waves.

But Trasiko kept his hard hand on
the lovely flower and inspected the suit-
ors with his cunning, greedy eyes.
There was none rich enough to pur-
chase such a wonder plant.

Swanada took it with indifference.
Her face showed an occasional fleeting
shadow, but in her heart all remained
peaceful and cool. She waited for him
whom she had seen in dreams, earnest
and convincing, gentle and proud at
once. A dark cloak hung from his shoul-
ders. Where his boat tossed the sea
sparkled and the clouds of heaven
changed to gold and floated in the shape
of a cross above the stranger's head.
Hi! How the tempest shrieks, how the
sea thunders against the shore!

Trasiko leans his bearded chin on
both hands and curses the gods. He
knows how the bare teeth of the sea
cut into the coast. Then he hurries
down eagerly. It seems to him that he
sees by the glare of the lightning a
small boat battling with the waves.

When he returns, his face is sterner
than usual and his back is bent with an
unaccustomed burden. He drags a youth
with him—he knows not if it is god or
man. Precaution urged him to the re-
cue that he might not risk ruining him-
self completely with the all powerful
spirits.

Swanada lifts the firebrand, and as
she looks on the stranger's face it seems
to her that a warm sunbeam has sud-
denly fallen into her heart. It becomes
bright in the cottage, as if it were bath-
ed in flaming purple light. It comes
from the little cross that glows on the
seaman's breast.

And when the sun shone again in the
heavens the young Christlieb looked
into the blue eyes of the heathen fisher
maid; two hearts were exchanged, a
troth was plighted for time and eter-
nity and sworn to upon the cross. The
foreign seaman went boldly to Trasiko
and asked him for the hand of his
daughter. He was poor, he said. He
came from far beyond the sea to find
amber on the Baltic coast.

Then came a shrill, evil laugh from
the old man's lips.

"Go your way home again," he cried
scornfully. "I have never met one who
could dig up gold with his finger nails.
He who would marry my daughter
must do something more than hunt for
scraps of yellow resin."

"And what shall I do, Father Tras-
iko? No work is too hard that is done
for my love and God. Christ and all
the saints will help me."

Sharp as a dagger's point were the
fisher's eyes. His glance swept over the
shore, from which the tide had again
torn a large piece. After a minute the
sand dune slid down after it, and Tras-
iko's hut sank nearer to the sea. It
was an unpleasant thought for the old
man that he must set to work and build
himself a new nest. He laughed defiat-
antly:
"If your gods can do so much, you

boaster, then make this dune firm in
spite of the sea. Then I will give you
Swanada."

Christlieb was white.

"Father Trasiko, such a thing is
impossible," he stammered.

"Then go your way, you dullard,
and put Swanada out of your mind."

"And will you keep your word?"

Again the old man laughed loudly.

"I will be food for the fishes on the
day that I break it."

"Give me a twelvemonth for it."

Trasiko nodded crossly. He saw how
the young man's eyes shone as if with
prophecy. Who could tell, perhaps the
Christian gods were more willing to
help their own than were the unfriend-
ly water spirits.

So they parted.

As the little boat was again launched
in the foaming tide Christlieb threw
himself on his knees and prayed: "Give
me a sign, O merciful Saviour, to tell
me if thou wilt bless my work and
bring thy holy cross to everlasting hon-
or on this coast. Then will I go out in-
to the world comforted, knowing that I
shall return to happiness."

And as he turned his head again to
look back a joyful "Hosanna!" burst
from his lips, for up on the dunes stood
Swanada and stretched out her arms
longingly, so that her figure was out-
lined against the sky in the form of a
slender cross.

Thus the saints answered his prayer.
Christlieb laid down to rest in his
boat and saw a wonderful dream pic-
ture. An island projected from the blue
sea, sandy and unsafe like the hillock
upon which Trasiko's hut was built.
The loose earth sank into the waves,
breaking up and dissolving in utter help-
lessness. Then down from the clouds
came a bright angel bearing in his
hands an insignificant looking gray
plant, thorny and hard, with wonderful
jagged leaves. He planted it in the arid
sand, one little stalk beside another.

And see there, with what magic power
it shoots up and becomes a strong inter-
laced wall that holds the earth firmly
together with its network of 1,000 roots!
And the angel turned his smiling face
toward the young seaman and pointed
to the work of his hands.

Christlieb awoke and thanked God
and praised him. Then he set forth to
find the island through the boundless
seas of the world.

The sun rose and sank again into the
water; stars watched over the solitary
little boat and threatening clouds thick-
ened around the mast; storm and tem-
pest played their wild game and pulled
at the golden anchor of faith which
love and the vision had cast in the
heart of the young seaman.

At last he espied it, the longed for
island, standing high and uneven above
the sea, glistening in the light of the
morning sun. The seaman raised his
hands joyfully and cried, "God be
praised, I have found thee, thou prom-
ised angel's land!"

There grew the gray, thorny weed
that was to give him his happiness, and
he uprooted the plants and loaded his
vessel to the edge with them until there
was scarcely room for himself.
"Hoist the sail—yo ho!—and away for
the distant coast of the Baltic!"

Hi! How the waves rose; how the
white foam crests beat in anger against
the weak timber! And what torment
to be confined to the narrow place for
days and weeks, stung until he bled by
the sharp leaves and thorns whenever
he moved, wounds on all his limbs, a
very torture chair! Should he throw the
weed overboard, goaded as he was by
the unceasing pain? No; rather let their
needles draw his last drop of blood.
But the task became harder and harder.

The sun burned; the gray thistles
drooped their wilted heads. With a
prayer Christlieb reached for his last
flask of water and shared it with his
charges. Then shone a rainbow in the
sky, and a wind sprang up and carried
the little ship, as if with magic hands,
to the faraway shore.

"Swanada! Swanada!"

There she stood, weeping for happi-
ness, and stretched out her arms to her
loved one.

Christlieb planted the thistles on the
shore of the Baltic sea, and Trasiko's
dunes were as firm as the cliffs. The
old man's heart was softened when he
saw the power of the Christian's God,
and he laid the hand of his daughter in
that of the young seaman.

Bright glowed the sea with purple
and gold. Through the thistles there
surged and rustled a sound as of a thou-
sand voiced psalter, and on the hill the
first cross was raised.

Many hundred years have passed. On
the strand of Zoppot the bells of the
Lord ring; the golden sign of faith
shines from the tower of the church.
No trace is to be found on the white
sand of Trasiko's hut. It is gone, and
long, long forgotten. But one thing re-
mains—the gray thistle, the protector of
the dunes, that was once brought with
pain from over the sea. It grows and
spreads as a legacy left by the true sea-
man. Few know now of Christlieb,
but to this day the spiny, unlovely weed,
which we know as sea holly, is called
in the language of the people "seaman's
faith."—From the German For Short
Stories.

Polite Lunatic.

A St. Louis jury which acquitted a
man charged with murder on the regu-
lation ground of insanity were some-
what surprised when he rose to his feet
and said, "Gentlemen of the jury, I
want to thank you for your verdict."—
Philadelphia Ledger.

Giving Away a Secret.

"Rivers, how can you always afford
to smoke so much better cigars than I
do?"

"Because I always beg my matches.
Give me a match, Brooks."—Chicago
Tribune.

Early Exports of Cheese.

The first exports of cheese from the
United States are believed to have been
made about 1826, when Harry Burrell of
Herkimer county, N. Y., opened a regu-
lar cheese trade with England.

LANGUAGE OF CRIME.

THE ARGOT OF PARIS AND THE "PAT-
TER" OF LONDON.

Thieves Have Special Words to Express
Stealing of Every Kind—Material
Changes Take Place Every Two or
Three Years.

The language of criminals—the argot
of Paris, the "patter" of London—has
been carefully investigated by numer-
ous writers, with very variant results.

Its origin is difficult to explain.
Criminals, say many authors, have
found it necessary to adopt a technical
language for their own protection, that
they may be able to converse in public
without being understood. "They have
been forced to do this and have made a
language as sinister and as vile as them-
selves." This theory cannot be admit-
ted. Certainly the argot is sinister and
vile and thoroughly representative of
the class that uses it, but further than
this we cannot go.

The theory that the use of this dialect
is of any assistance to the criminal is
inadmissible. Most policemen and all
prison officers know this slang, some-
times better than the thieves. To speak
it in the hearing of a detective is to in-
vite arrest; to speak it in the presence
of the general public would arouse sus-
picion and attract attention—two things
which are especially to be avoided.
Why, then, does it exist? Dr. Laurent
of the Sante prison in Paris has given
an explanation which has at least noth-
ing to contradict it: The persons en-
gaged in every trade form a species of
dialect or technical phraseology which
is spoken and understood only by them-
selves. Criminals, who practice a trade
as old as any, have gradually acquired
a language more adapted to their wants,
more in keeping with their ideas and
thoughts. Miserable, heartless, engaged
in a perpetual struggle against moral-
ity, law and decency, they have ac-
quired a language of debased words and
cynical metaphors, a language of abbrevi-
ated expressions and obscene syn-
onyms.

This dialect has mutilated the mother
tongue. It has also borrowed liberally
from other languages, but without meth-
od or etymology. Criminals are not
grammarians. Neither are they ling-
uists, and at first sight it would seem
strange that they should import words
from other countries. We will find,
however, that in any prison the percent-
age of inmates of foreign birth will be
large. In America it is about 15 per
cent. A foreign expression which seems
apt or an improvement on the one in
present use is rapidly diffused through
the prison. In cases where it is espe-
cially descriptive it may become permanent,
but its life is usually short. The argot
of the crime class changes materially
every two or three years. It is ephemer-
al, as shifting as its users. Victor
Hugo exaggerates only slightly when he
says, "The argot changes more in ten
years than the language does in ten cen-
turies." Thus in the last three years
there have been three different terms
for watch—"super," "thimble" and
"yellow and white"—each of which
was in its turn the only one used.

Every writer on the subject has no-
ticed that the argot is rich in expres-
sions to denote certain common actions.
This is a peculiarity shared by all primi-
tive languages, the only difference being
in the selection of the common acts.
Thus in Sanskrit there are nearly 100
roots which express the idea of killing
or wounding, without counting second-
ary derivations. Some of these roots are
embodied in our language today. In the
dialect of the thieves there are nearly
100 expressions to signify theft. It was
necessary for the pickpocket to describe
the various pockets in a man's clothing
and in a woman's dress. The average
man does not often need to specify a
particular pocket. When he does, he
lays his hand on it to assist the poverty
of his language. The thief has a sepa-
rate name for each separate pocket.

But in spite of this richness in syn-
onyms, which is in itself a marked sign
of degeneracy, for the tendency of a
language is to eliminate its synonyms,
giving to each a different shade of
meaning, the argot is a poor language.
It has not a single expression for ab-
stract emotion. To attempt to render a
philosophic thought, a moral emotion, a
synthetic or aesthetic idea into the di-
alect of the thief would be like attempt-
ing to translate "electricity" or "steam
engine" into Latin. It is impossible be-
cause the words do not exist. They are
not needed. The criminal has no more
conception of abstract emotion than a
blind man has of color.

A fact which does not seem to ally
the argot to a primitive language is its
ability to form additional words from
its own resources, a power of self de-
velopment which we find in the old
Anglo-Saxon, and especially in the Ger-
man of today. This trait is the more
striking as it seems in direct contradic-
tion to the impotence of the English
language in this respect. The English
has little formative power. It relies on
the Greek and Latin languages for the
extension of its vocabulary.—A. T. B.
Crofton in Popular Science Monthly.

Rivals For Fame.

"I'm going to introduce a bill," de-
clared the first legislator, "prohibiting
any and all persons from going up in a
balloon."

"There's where you show your lack
of statesmanship," sneered the second
legislator. "My bill will make it an
offense punishable by fine and impris-
onment to fall out of a balloon."—De-
troit Free Press.

A famous Scotch dean used to tell a
ghost story, the clew to which is in the
question, "Weel, maister ghaist, is this
a general rising or are ye just taking a
daunter frae yer grave by yerself?"—
Argonaut.

Nature is an arrant democrat and be-
stows her gifts impartially.—Mrs. C.
G. Gore.

PARLIAMENT AND THE TURF.

A Case In Which a Government Was Al-
most Overthrown by Ascot.

Five or six years ago an astute Rad-
ical, Mr. Samuel Storey, with charac-
teristic wariness, very nearly caught
the government of the day tripping. He
had been "left speaking" on a Tuesday
night in June and announced his in-
tention to continue his remarks on a
rather exhaustive scale upon the follow-
ing Thursday, when the debate was to
be resumed. This was just what a num-
ber of Unionist gentlemen wanted, for
it happened that a little "event" known
as the Gold Cup was to be decided that
afternoon at Ascot, and, much as it
grieved them to miss the eloquence of
Mr. Storey, they were bound to choose
between the two attractions. So—possi-
bly with grievous hearts, and also pos-
sibly not—they hied them to the royal
heath in comfort and contentment.

On returning they "looked in" to the
house of commons to see everything
was all right and found that everything
had been all wrong. For the sagacious
Sunderland Radicals, having glanced
around him and beheld the poverty of
the land, thought that his own words
might be silver, but a division would
be golden. Accordingly he stated his
intention not to indulge in further criti-
cism, and before the few Unionists
could recover from their amazement or
put up a man to talk against time until
the Ascot visitors returned a division
was called.

A few of the "early birds," having
missed the last race in order to reach
Westminster as speedily as possible,
drove into Palace yard as the leather
lunged policemen were shouting "Vi-
sion!" The dread word, borne on the
summer breeze, told its own tale. Into
the lobby they rushed like madmen,
just in time to save the government
from an awkward defeat. Mr. Storey,
though not a sporting man, smiled
sweetly. He had been done by "only a
short head." And he would have actu-
ally won if a dozen horse racing lovers
of his own side of politics had not also
abjured Westminster for the pleasant
plain of Berkshire. Thus was Mr. Storey
prevented from bringing off a glori-
ous triumph.

The moral of the tale is the fallibil-
ity of human nature—even Radical hu-
man nature. "The Cup" begat Mr.
Storey's fearful hope of a "coup," and
he very nearly succeeded in bringing it
off. Since that time the party "whips"
have marked the Ascot Thursday with
a black mark and taken heed unto their
forces.

By way of revenge it was the Ascot
Friday—which nobody troubled to
think about—that ruined the Rosebery
government in 1895. Men went away
to see the racing, and on returning to
town found, when dining at the club,
that an ardent band of astute diplomat-
ists had skillfully toppled over Sir Hen-
ry Campbell-Bannerman, the war min-
ister, on the comparatively insignificant
question of cordite. It is a hard thing,
after a "black" week in backing horses,
for a poor legislator to find himself face
to face with the terrors of a general
election.—London Telegraph.

PAPER MONEY.

The Kinds of Currency That Are Used by
Foreign Countries.

The Bank of England note is 5 inches
by 8 in dimensions and is printed in
black ink on Irish linen water lined pa-
per, plain white, with rugged edges.
The notes of the Banque de France are
made of white water lined paper, print-
ed in blue and black, with numerous
mythological and allegorical pictures,
and running in denomination from the
25 franc note to the 1,000 franc. South
American currency, in most countries,
is about the size and appearance of
American bills, except that cinnamon
brown and slate blue are the prevailing
colors and that Spanish and Portuguese
are the prevailing languages engraved
on the face.

The German currency is rather ar-
tistic. The bills are printed in green
and black. They run in denominations
from 5 to 1,000 marks. These latter
bills are printed on silk fiber paper.

The Chinese paper currency is in red,
white and yellow, with gilt lettering
and gorgeous little hand drawn devices.
The bills, to the ordinary financier,
might pass for washing bills, but they
are worth good money in the Flowery
Kingdom. Italian notes are of all sizes,
shapes and colors. The smaller bills, 5
and 10 lire notes, are printed on white
paper in pink, blue and carmine inks
and ornamented with a finely engraved
vignette of King Humbert.

The 100 ruble note of Russia is barred
from top to bottom with all the colors
of the rainbow, blended as when shown
through a prism. In the center, in bold
relief, stands a large, finely executed
vignette of the Empress Catherine I.
This is in black. The other engraving is
not at all intricate or elaborate, but is
well done in dark and light brown and
black inks. The Australian bill is print-
ed on light colored thick paper which
shows none of the silk fiber marks or
geometric lines used in American cur-
rency as a protection against counter-
feiting.—Golden Days.

Rubinstein's Disillusions.

The posthumous "Souvenirs" of Ru-
binstein in the Vom Fels zum Meer
contain some of the disillusions of a
great musician. Rubinstein alludes to
a concert organized by Padeloup, which
he conducted in Paris, the programme
consisting mainly of his own composi-
tions. It was held at the Cirque, and
some 4,000 people were present. Through-
out Rubinstein was possessed with the
conviction that the attention
of the entire world was directed exclu-
sively upon him. On reaching his hotel
Rubinstein was met by an old friend,
who expressed the greatest surprise at
seeing him. "What!" exclaimed the
friend, "you in Paris! When did you
arrive? One never hears a word about
you nowadays. Are you thinking of
giving any concerts in Paris?" Robin-
stein was so much taken aback that he
was speechless.

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DRAWING TO A CLOSE.

Fortieth General Assembly of Illinois Legislature.

FOURTH OF JUNE THE FINAL DAY.

Members Are Conscious of the Short Time Which Yet Remains to Get Through the Bills Which They Have Been Trying to Push to Passage—Bill to Establish Day Schools for the Education of the Deaf.

Springfield, Ills., May 25.—There has been an accumulation of evidence the last few days that the fortieth general assembly is drawing to a close. Both the senate and the house have now agreed on June 4 as the final day and on top of this comes the announcement of Governor Tanner that he will not call a special session for revenue legislation for any other purpose unless it shall happen that the tax levy is not large enough to supply funds to meet the obligations created by the legislature. Moreover, the briskness of proceedings on the floor of both houses, compared with the progress hitherto made, is significant. It means the members are conscious of the short time yet remaining to get through the bills which they have been trying to push along all session to passage.

Previous to last week the number of bills passed was thirty-five. Of these only the Torrens land title bill, the judicial apportionment, the consolidation of the supreme court and the bill authorizing the governor, auditor and treasurer to negotiate loans not exceeding \$250,000 to meet deficiencies in the treasury are of general importance. The others are appropriation bills or bills of local effect. With a half dozen or more joint resolutions on various subjects this constituted the sum total of the work of the session up to a week ago. The governor has not vetoed a single bill and it is universally conceded that no so-called "vicious" legislation has yet been passed.

Abuse of "Log-Rolling." It is in the rush of the closing days, however, that bad bills become laws and the utmost caution has to be exercised to prevent it. Not only is there a chance for undesirable bills to be smuggled into law by political and parliamentary trickery, but the abuse of "log-rolling" reaches its worst stage at this critical period. Members do not fancy going home to their constituents to announce that they failed to get certain bills through, and rather than do so they are sorely tempted, for the support they will get in return, to assist in passing bills of others which under ordinary circumstances would not have been given their approval. Every minute of the time from this until midnight of the day of adjournment will be utilized to the best possible advantage for the dispatch of business, and there is every prospect that the historic clocks will not be allowed to indicate the hour of midnight to the senate and house until 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning. The exciting scenes of two years ago will doubtless be repeated.

Representative Funk of McLean county is after nuns with a double-barreled gun, as it were. He has two bills, one of which is aimed at careless gunners and the other at insolent ramps. Both bills will doubtless become laws if they are reached on the calendar. One of the bills prohibits the discharge of firearms on the public highways, a matter not now covered by statute. There are laws against trespass and the farmers may get action on Nimrods who go hunting on their premises without their permission, but the public highways are beyond their jurisdiction. Hunters are aware of this loophole in the law and they take advantage of it. The objection to this kind of hunting is that many horses are frightened on the roads, thus jeopardizing the lives of people, and where there are hedge fences, the gunners are not sufficiently careful about ascertaining what may be on the other side of the fence in the range of their runs.

Lives of Men Endangered. The result of this carelessness is that many horses and cattle in fields are ripped or killed and the lives of men working in the fields are endangered. In this bill Mr. Funk is not aiming at the protection of game, but of life. The other bill invests superintendents of county poor farms with police powers and is called out by the experience of superintendents with tramps, who take advantage of county charity and then abuse it by acting in an arbitrary and insulting manner toward those by whom they are befriended. Hitherto the superintendents have had no recourse to protect themselves, but the new law will put them in the way of dealing effectually with insolent vagabonds.

The bill for the establishment of day schools for the education of the deaf is simply a permissive measure and yet has caused more discussion than most of the bills of this session in which the mass of the people are more directly interested. It was defeated once in the senate, but on a reconsideration of the vote, was carried and it is now ready for the action of the house. On account of the agitation growing out of the bill, the former superintendent of the institution for the deaf at Jacksonville was asked to resign for what the governor considered too great interference with legislation and Governor Tanner has just created consternation among the people of Jacksonville by demanding the resignation of the president of the new board of trustees, Mr. Gates Strawn, on the same charge. Considerable regret has been expressed here by friends of both the governor and Mr. Strawn, because the former made this demand, but now that it has been made, it will not be recalled. The sentiment seems to be, on further investigation, that Mr. Strawn did not flagrantly violate the wishes of the governor that he should keep hands off of the Bogardus bill. The objection urged by the opponents of the bill is that it will have a tendency to destroy the usefulness of the institution at Jacksonville. Those who have read the bill carefully and have looked into the operation of a similar law in Wisconsin are not of that opinion.

Illinois Fisheries Exhibit. Fish Commissioner S. P. Bartlett of Quincy is proud of the part Illinois is to play in the fisheries exhibit at the

centennial exposition at Nashville. A car load of specimens of all the kinds of fish which frequent the waters of Illinois streams has just been sent to the Tennessee capital and Colonel Bartlett says the contribution is one of which the state should be proud. The fishermen along the Illinois river, whence all the specimens were taken, took a personal interest in the exhibit. It was through their efforts the collection was made up. In the list is a sturgeon six feet two inches in length, an unusually fine specimen. The thirteen hundred fishermen on the Illinois river are especially interested in the proposed legislation now pending for the protection and propagation of fish. One of the most important features of the legislation proposed, in the estimation of Colonel Bartlett, and he is an authority, is that providing that fish below a certain size cannot be taken from the water for the purpose of selling. Fishes increase in size rapidly in a season and a young fish this year, returned to the water, will make much more food a season later. In the aggregate, if the law be properly enforced, the saving thus effected will be enormous.

Members who represent farming communities and especially dairying interests are becoming anxious lest they shall not be able to meet the demands of the dairy people with a law prohibiting the coloring yellow of substitutes for butter. Attempts have been made for a number of years to secure legislation to protect what is called the legitimate trade and the statutes of other states are held up as samples of what has been done elsewhere for the farmers, but these references have not yet availed anything and it is doubtful if they do this session.

Disorderly Scene in the House. A foretaste of the disorderly scenes which bid fair to be a feature of the closing hours of this session was given Thursday afternoon in the house. The steering committee of the majority had agreed upon a line of work for the afternoon and in trying to carry it out the speaker incurred the displeasure of a few members of the minority. The most demonstrative was Representative Novak who worked himself into a frenzy of anger by standing for a long time on top of his desk and shouting vainly for recognition. He was encouraged by the less discreet members on his side and finally moved toward the speaker's stand with menacing attitude, followed by a small coterie of Democrats. The Republican members also crowded around the rostrum to protect their speaker from possible violence. In the midst of one of the most turbulent scenes ever witnessed in the chamber, while angry members tore their lungs in an effort to drown out the voice of the clerk, some one in a fit of anger threw an inkstand which struck Representative Meaney full in the side of the face, cutting its way through the skin and bringing the blood quickly to the surface. Other missiles were thrown, but they did no damage worthy of mention. Speaker Curtis showed no little perturbation during the riot, but he was not swayed from the course marked out for him. He was not more arbitrary than all of his predecessors in the chair have been at one time or another. The same provocation for rebellion on the part of the minority has been seen in every session of the house for years, but it has usually spent its force in noise. After it was all over there was general regret that the house should have been disgraced with such a proceeding.

A Pleasant Dream. The big water-way scheme contemplated in the resolution offered the other day in the senate by Senator Mounts calls to mind a pleasant dream which has been cherished many a year by people of the northern part of Illinois. It is the construction of a navigable channel connecting the great lakes with the Mississippi river of sufficient capacity for boats of great draught. Those who have made a study of the proposed enterprise love to dwell upon what they claim would be the far-reaching commercial effect upon Illinois and the west of such a connecting link in the chain of navigable waters of the country. They claim it would have an appreciable influence on the commerce of the whole world and that, with the development of South America, the islands of the Pacific and the Oriental nations, it would be of vast interest to this country.

Something of a sensation was created here last week by the official announcement that a number of the free railroad passes issued to members of the legislature by representatives of the railroads had been found in the possession of ticket brokers. The natural assumption was that some members had been speculating in the courtesies extended to them and it called out a bill, which was introduced by general consent, prohibiting the giving away or the sale of passes or their use by others than those to whom they were specifically issued. The railroads as a rule have for years been decidedly generous to the legislators in providing them with passes, not only for themselves, but for their friends. During the sessions many people of Springfield, who have no legitimate claim to such favors, enjoy free rides on the railroads, as do the relatives and friends of the members who come here to see how "legislating" is done. The proposed law will probably not curtail the number of these favors, but it will result in a better use of them. A report by one or two of the leading roads centering here as to the number of passes issued by them to legislators would be a revelation in its magnitude.

Apportionment Bills. The senatorial and congressional apportionment bills have now gone beyond the sub-committees and are nearing the stage where the final fight will be made upon them. It will be a party fight and may give cause for a number of oratorical efforts of a florid partisan character, but after the minority shall have had a chance to express its sentiments, there will probably be a disposition, on account of the superior numbers of the dominant party, to quietly vote against both measures and let it go at that. That attitude, however, will be contingent on the ability of the Republicans to get together and secure final draft of bills which all or nearly all of them can and will support. The fate of the new railroad franchise bill, which is a modified form of the Humphrey bill, is problematical as yet. The bill preserves the principle of home rule, makes provision for reduction of fares after a period of twenty years and changes for the better the matter of compensation to cities where the roads are operated.

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A SEA ABOVE THE CLOUDS.

Extraordinary Superstition Once Prevalent in England.

The curious superstition that there is an ocean above the clouds is illustrated by the following strange story by an old English writer: "One Sunday the people of a certain village were coming out of church on a thick, cloudy day, when they saw the anchor of a ship hooked to one of the tombstones—the cable, which was tightly stretched, hanging down from the air. The people were astonished, and while they were consulting about it suddenly they saw the rope move as though some one labored to pull up the anchor. The anchor, however, still held fast by the stone, and a great noise was heard in the air, like the shouting of sailors. Presently a sailor was seen sliding down the cable for the purpose of unfixing the anchor. When he had just loosened it, the villagers seized hold of him, and while in their hands he quickly died, just as though he had been drowned.

"About an hour after the sailors above, hearing no more of their comrade, cut the cable and sailed away. In memory of this extraordinary event the people of the village made the hinges of the church doors out of the iron of the anchor." It is further stated that these hinges "are still to be seen there," a bit of evidence much like Munchausen's rope wherewith he once climbed to the moon. If you doubted the story, you were confronted with the rope.

There is another queer tale about this aerial ocean. "A merchant of Bristol," it is said, "set sail with his cargo for Ireland. Some time after, while his family were at supper, a knife suddenly fell in through a window on the table. When the merchant returned and saw the knife, he declared it to be his own and said that on such a day, at such an hour, while sailing in an unknown part of the sea, he dropped the knife overboard, and the day and the hour were found to be exactly the time when it fell through the window." All of which was once implicitly believed by many and regarded as incontrovertible proof of the existence of a sea above the sky. One is at a loss to conjecture how that "unknown part of the sea" connected with the rest of it. A physical geography showing this would be no small curiosity.—Boston Post.

SILKWORMS OF LEBANON.

How They Are Cultivated in the Mountains of Tripoli.

Harry Fenn, the artist, has written a paper, entitled "Silk and Cedars," for St. Nicholas, describing his visit to the famous mountains of Lebanon. Concerning the silk industry, which plays such an important part in the lives of the natives, Mr. Fenn says: As the time approaches for the silkworm to hatch out the egg the family move out of the house and camp under the trees, giving up the entire establishment to the worms, after having placed the eggs on shelves made of a reedlike bamboo. At first the young worms are fed on finely chopped leaves, but as they grow larger the leaves need only be broken in two. The people have to feed and watch the worms night and day, or they wander in search of food and get lost, and in the silence of the night the sound of the worms feeding is like a gently falling rain.

The worms fast three or four times during this period, and about 24 hours is the length of each fast. A curious feature about their fast is their posture. They assume the attitude of a cobra snake about to strike and remain rigidly fixed in that position for the entire period. When they are ready to spin, small branches are placed on the shelves, and as the cocoons are formed upon them the dead twigs seem to bear golden fruit. When the worms get through that part of the business, the neighbors are called in—something as to an old fashioned New England apple paring bee. They call it "qtaf" in Arabic—that is "picking," and soon you see piles of pale green, pure white and golden yellow cocoons heaped upon the floor. Later they may be spun into hanks, but usually the cocoons are sent down the mountains to Tripoli or Damascus, and after their 30 or 40 days of toil they, too, often have to sell the produce for next to nothing, as the Chinese are always ready to undersell them.

Another curious use Mr. Silkworm is put to is to soak him in vinegar for some hours, after which he is drawn out into so called "catgut" to make snells or leaders for fishhooks.

Serving Carrots.

A way of serving carrots is the following, evolved by a cook desirous, as all cooks should be, of "something new." The vegetable is scraped, diced and boiled till tender. Meanwhile a slice of onion is browned in a tablespoonful of butter. With this one tablespoonful of flour is rubbed smooth and stirred until the flour is cooked. Then one cup of tomato juice, not heated, is added to the mixture with a half teaspoonful of salt and a dash of pepper. The whole is stewed together three or four minutes before being strained over the carrots, which have been drained. This dish is much more palatable than the creamed carrots because it adds a needed flavor and is none the harder to prepare than the better known preparation.—New York Post.

What Is Really Needed.

"Somebody has invented another talking machine." "That's a stupid thing to do. Won't these scientists ever learn that what the world needs is listening machines?"—Chicago Record.

To the poet, to the philosopher, to the saint, all things are friendly and sacred, all events profitable, all days holy, all men divine.—Emerson.

The man who has not passionate local attachments can never become patriotic in any broad or generous sense.—American Friend.

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H. M. Blossom, senior member of H. M. Blossom & Co., 217 N. 3d St., St. Louis, writes: I had been left with a very distressing cough, the result of influenza, which nothing seemed to relieve, until I took Ballard's Horehound Syrup. One bottle completely cured me. I sent one bottle to my sister who had a severe cough, and she experienced immediate relief. I always recommended this syrup to my friends. John Cranston 908 Hampshire Street, Quincy Ills., writes: I have found Ballard's Horehound Syrup superior to any other cough medicine I have ever known. It never disappoints. Sold by Bunnell & Barley.

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WEATHER REPORT.
For the week commencing May, 23, '07.
Sun. 57. 66. 51. 68. 45. 10.
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THE WEATHER.

The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 9:30 o'clock a. m. today from the government observatory at Chicago:
Fair and warmer tonight. Wednesday increasing cloudiness and warmer with showers in west portion of the state.

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LAMPS AND CANDLES.

There is an Art in the Managing of Them.
The most effective cleansing substance for the containers and wick apparatus consists of ordinary wood ash. This has a peculiar effect upon petroleum, crystal and other oils of the same kind. Rub the ashes well all over the parts that require cleaning and polish or wipe it off with a clean, soft cloth. This is a very simple method and obviates the use of water, which may prove a serious difficulty, especially if the operator is not very particular as regards the drying process. This treatment should not, however, entirely do away with the regular use of wood ash should make the washing a last resource and an altogether rare necessity.
The strictest cleanliness in every detail concerning lamps is of the greatest importance not only to insure a good light free from smell, but also as a preventive against danger. Odd bits of wick allowed to collect anywhere near the flame, for instance, are objectionable from every point of view.
Lamps that are but rarely used should not be left with the wick to become saturated through contact with the oil. The best plan is to empty the container, clean it as above, dry the wick if it is new, and put it aside in a box, into which dust cannot penetrate, till it is wanted again.
For these days, when candles are so much used, it is well to know that there is an art in choosing them. They should burn brightly, steadily, and without flickering, yet at the same time dwindle away as slowly as possible. The candle that gutters is to be avoided as extravagant and worthless. The best of all are those which are partially hollowed out, so that if the flame is exposed to a draft the melted wax runs down the inside. A thin, close wick will always burn better than a thick one. One of the cleverest contrivances adapted to candles is a metal automatic extinguisher. It can be fixed to any required depth of the candle, say one inch, more or less, and as soon as that quantity has burned away two metal rings close over the flame and effectually put it out. Something of the kind has already been seen, but the newer patent is much more practical, from the very fact that it can be fixed to any part of the candle instead of being placed in the candle holder, for in the latter case it could not act until the illuminant had quite burned down, when the extinguisher was obviously of doubtful utility. —San Francisco Chronicle.

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Amusement, Business and Local Items

—E. J. Ryan drove to Rock Falls this afternoon.
—The Dixon Drum Corps will meet tomorrow evening.
—D. O. Fairchild, an old 13th boy from Brooklyn township is here today.
—Capt. Henry D. Dement is here from Oak Park to attend the reunion.
—J. B. Gilbert the creamery man of Sterling is here today visiting with Theodore Wilson.
—Edward Lampkin, of Prophetstown is in our city the guest of his friend, W. C. B. Shelton.
—A Mr. West who is staying at the Wesley Howell residence on Highland avenue, is quite ill with rheumatism.
—The entertainment which will be given by the children under the direction of Miss Dolan will take place Friday evening in Temperance Hall.
—Burglars entered the office of Jacob Vreaser, coal merchant of Sterling Sunday night and broke open the safe, but after tearing out the inside, were disappointed in finding no money.
—The four young ladies at dinner at the Nachusa House today were: Misses Margaret A. Dillon, Julia Galt, Alice Dillon of Sterling, and Lydia Harmon of Chicago. They came up from Sterling in a carriage.
—Mrs. Trip of West First street, assisted by Miss Nina Getchell and Maud VanEpps, entertained a select party of young people last evening. The evening was enjoyably spent with games and music, both vocal and instrumental. Miss Floyd Cray and Rose Garrett gave a number of selections.
—Members of the Young Men's Catholic Temperance society are requested to attend the meeting this evening which will be held at 8 o'clock in their hall. James L. Slatery who has been the state president of C. T. A. U. for the past two years and who presided over the convention Sunday in Sterling will be in attendance.
—The arrest in New York of a St. Louis millionaire merchant named Scroggs charged with trying to smuggle into the country several thousand dollars' worth of jewelry, is probably causing anxiety, chiefly among the members of the Sunday-school of which Scroggs is a shining light, he now claiming that the goods were intended as presents for the scholars.
—An old farmer in Vermont who had driven into the village to make a few purchases, took back with him rather more hard cider than was consistent with careful driving. While going down a steep hill his horse stumbled, fell flat in the road, and refused to get up. The farmer looked at him a moment over the dashboard, and then exclaimed: "Git up, you old fool, or I'll drive over ye!"

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